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Atty. Docket No. 1217-980347

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Group Art Unit 1712 :  
In re application of :  
**Tsuguo KOYANAGI et al.** : **INORGANIC COMPOUND SOL**  
: **MODIFIED BY ORGANIC**  
Serial No. 09/038,230 : **COMPOUND**  
Filed March 11, 1998 :  
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**IN THE ABSTRACT:**

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